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United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

February 12, 1976

Honorable George Bush Director of Central Intelligence Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Mr. Director:

Enclosed herewith is a copy of S. 2927, now pending before this committee, which is referred to you for consideration.

It will be appreciated if you will submit to this committee 2 copies of the recommendations of your Department with reference to this legislation.

Sincerely,

John C. Stennis

Chairman

Enclosure

94TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

S. 2927

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 4, 1976

Mr. Bentsen introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services

A BILL

To protect the confidentiality of the identities of certain employees of the Central Intelligence Agency.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 Section 1. (a) General Rule.—Whoever, being or
- 4 having been in authorized possession or control of informa-
- 5 tion such as the names, addresses, post office boxes, or tele-
- 6 phone numbers identifying any individual or entity as being
- 7 or having been associated with the Central Intelligence
- 8 Agency, which information has been specifically designated
- 9 as requiring a specific degree of protection pursuant to an
- 10 Executive order of the President of the United States, will-
- 11 fully discloses such information to any person not authorized

- 1 to receive it shall be fined not more than \$10,000 or im-
- 2 prisoned not more than ten years, or both.
- 3 (b) Exceptions.—Prosecution under subsection (a)
- 4 is barred if the information was communicated to:
- 5 (1) a regularly constituted committee or subcom-
- 6 mittee of the Senate or the House of Representatives,
- or any joint committee of the Congress, which has over-
- sight of intelligence activities of the United States, or
- 9 (2) a judge of any United States district court pur-
- suant to an order of such court issued upon a showing
- that production of such information is reasonably needed
- for any judicial proceeding or investigation.
- 13 Sec. 2. Definition.—As used in this Act, the term
- 14 "authorized" means with authority to have access to, to
- 15 receive, to possess, or to control information as a result of
- 16 the provisions of a Federal statute or an Executive order
- 17 of the President.
- 18 Sec. 3. Immunity for Recipients of Identifying
- 19 Information .- A person not authorized to receive infor-
- 20 mation pursuant to section 1 of this Act is not subject to
- 21 prosecution as an accomplice within the meaning of sections
- 22 2 or 3 of title 18, United States Code, or to prosecution
- 23 for conspiracy to commit an offense under section 1 of this
- 24 Act.